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March 29, 2012

TO:

The Honorable Robert N. Herkes, Chair The Honorable Ryan I. Yamane, Vice Chair

SUBJECT:

House Resolution 138 – REQUESTING THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONVENE A LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE TO ASSESS THE IMPACT OF THE POTENTIAL SALE OF THE TESORO OIL REFINERY ON CONSUMERS AND THE STATE

Hearing of the House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Thursday, March 29, 2012

2:35 p.m., Conference Room 325, State Capitol

Chair Herkes, Vice Chair Yamane and Committee members:

My name is Lance Tanaka, government and public affairs manager for Tesoro Hawaii Corporation. Thank you for allowing me to present testimony on House Resolution 138.

Tesoro Hawaii provides the following comments on House Resolution 138.

Tesoro Hawaii Corporation understands and appreciates the House's concerns regarding impact to consumers and Hawaii's economy that the sale of the company's Hawaii operations may have. Our intention is to secure a buyer for the integrated business in Hawaii, which includes the 94,000-barrel-per-day refinery in Kapolei, associated logistical assets such as pipelines and the deep-draft single-point mooring buoy, and 32 gasoline stations on Oahu, Maui and the Big Island. It is our desire to attract a buyer that not only is looking to purchase the business, but also is interested in investing in our employees.

This is a private and complex sales transaction that will unfold over time. No specific timeframe has been identified in which Tesoro shall complete this transaction. However, in order to facilitate the sales process, Tesoro has an overarching need to maintain confidentiality of its information during this period of negotiations.

To the extent that the House task force that is created by HR 138 will seek our collaboration, we are willing to provide some analysis of historical data that the state Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism already has in its possession. Tesoro can also help the task force in understanding the marketplace and describe hurdles that the local petroleum industry faces in doing business in Hawaii. However, as stated earlier, it would not be prudent for Tesoro to share competitive information due to the pending sale.

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Thank you for your understanding and for allowing me to testify. I am available to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance N. Tanaka

Manager, Government & Public Affairs

Tesoro Hawaii Corporation

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